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Group Art Unit: 1761

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Examiner: Sarah Louise Kuhns

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PITTING AND SLICING OLIVES WITH SPRING-LOADED, ADJUSTABLE SLICING KNIFE ASSEMBLY

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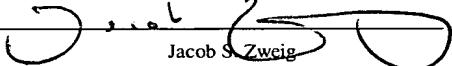
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 30, 2004, in the referenced application. Please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.

Amend the claims to read as specified in the claim listing that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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